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FRYSCs award nominations due Wednesday

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications

Nominations for the Office of Family Resource and Youth Services Centers' (FRYSCs) Harry J. Cowherd Award for Center Excellence are due Wednesday, April 30.

The awards go to the family resource and youth services centers that demonstrate a clear adherence to the educational mission of the FRYSC program, implementation of innovative programs, successful implementation of all core components and value placed on school, community and parental involvement in center activities.

One family resource center (FRC), one youth services center (YSC), and one combined family resource and youth services center (FRYSC) will be selected to receive the awards.

This year, the nomination process will be separate from the application process, FRYSC Staff Assistant Michael Denney said. FRYSCs staff will contact the nominated centers and invite them to submit an award application.

Awards will be presented to winners this fall, Denney said.

To download a nomination form, log onto <http://cfc.state.ky.us/frysc/HJC%20Page.htm>.

For more details about the awards or to submit a nomination, contact Tonya Cookendorfer of the FRYSCs office at tonya.cookendorfer@mail.state.ky.us or (859) 654-1289.

No self-nominations from center employees will be accepted. Nominations may be from superintendents, principals, teachers, other school district personnel, FRYSC Advisory Council members, parents, students, district supervisors, community partners, school partners, legislators and other FRYSC coordinators.

QCC yard sale this week at Child Support office

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications



Quality Central Connections (QCC) is sponsoring a yard sale Thursday, May 1, at the Office of Child Support at 730 Schenkel Lane.

Staff with items to donate can bring them to the Child Support office anytime before the sale.

The sale will be outside the building, and the public is invited. Stop by the sale during your lunch break to peruse the bargains.

If it rains this Thursday, the sale will be postponed until Thursday, May 8.

QCC tries to increase employee communication through events like Secretary Viola Miller's quarterly "CFC Connections" sessions.

QCC also sponsors staff recognition activities and will use the profits from the sale for enrichment projects, like an employee appreciation picnic planned for mid May. Stay tuned to the Pipeline for details.



Collection drive for seniors ends Wednesday

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications

Quality Central Connections (QCC) needs your donations for senior citizens in area nursing homes Wednesday, April 30.

QCC members are collecting items throughout April for the seniors in a drive called Saluting Our Seniors (SOS). Staff will distribute the items to residents during May, Older Americans Month.

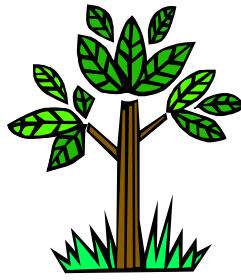
QCC is collecting personal items like hand cream, toothpaste and toothbrushes; recreational items like large-piece puzzles, books and magazines; and any clothing. Look for a complete list of items facilities can use in the April 11 Pipeline. Log onto <http://cfc.state.ky.us/pipeline/2003/0411/PLAPR1103.htm> to see the list.

Staff in the CHR building can place their items in the colorful donation box in the lobby, near the front entrance to the cafeteria. Items will be collected daily.

Janet Connor is accepting donations for DDS at First City.

Carolyn Osborne is accepting donations for Child Support on Schenkel Lane.

Thanks to all who have donated for area seniors.



Staff invited to tree dedication for child protection

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications

Please join Secretary Viola Miller and Cabinet staff this week at the dedication of a tree in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

At 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 29, Secretary Miller will dedicate the tree – a Japanese Snowbell -- to celebrate the protection of children. The event is sponsored by Quality Central Connections.

The event will be behind the CHR building, near the patio and walking path.

Since we all do our part in protecting children, staff from every office are invited to the ceremony. And please invite the Comprehensive Family Services you work closely with to attend. Keeping Kentucky's children safe takes every one of us.

Escalator update: Repaired part delivered

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications

Building Supervisor Skip Hayes has an update on the broken up escalator between the third and fourth floors of the CHR building.

Hayes said the escalator's repaired gearbox has been delivered and installation has begun. It will probably take several days to complete the job before the escalator is running again, he said.



EAL Bright Idea of the Week

By Anya Armes Weber, CFC Communications

While most Cabinet staff have completed the Everyone a Leader skill-building sessions, we could all use small reminders of the lessons we studied. The "EAL Bright Idea of the Week" features tips that can help us improve our relationships with coworkers and our service to families.

When did your office complete the Everyone a Leader skills sessions? If you can't remember, or if your office staff has dramatically changed since then, it's time to consider an officewide refresher session. Log onto <http://tris.eku.edu/ors/> and click "User Login" to register and see the calendar of available EAL courses. It could improve your team's productivity and communication within the group and with Comprehensive Family Services partners.

Helpful Web Site



Web site submitted by Jean Kendell.

Health Finder at:

<http://www.healthfinder.gov/default.htm>

This is a gateway site for health and human services information from the US Government. Healthfinder can lead you to selected online publications, clearinghouses, databases, web sites, and support and self-help groups, as well as the government agencies and not-for-profit organizations.